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APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSION OF INQUIRY INTO MATTERS RELATING TO CHIEFS, HEADMEN AND OTHER TRADITIONAL OR TRIBAL LEADERS AND AUTHORITIES

It is hereby made known for general information that the President has appointed a Commission, known as the Commission of Inquiry into Matters Relating to Chiefs, Headmen and other Traditional or Tribal Leaders and Authorities, consisting of the following members:

Mr. F.J. Kozonguizi, who is the Chairman

Rev. Zephania Kameeta

Mr. Servatius Kapirika

Dr. Wolfgang Werner

Mr. Paavo Hasheela

Mr. Daniel Namuhuja

Rev. Willem Konjore

Mr. Max Haraseb

Mr. Martin Neib

Rev. Petrus Andreas Schmidt

Rev. B.G. Karuaera

Mr. Bernand Puteho Mukendwa.

The terms of reference of the said Commission are:

1. To inquire into -

- (a) the existing statutory laws and rules of customary law relating to, and the practices pertaining to -
 - (i) the appointment or recognition of chiefs, headmen and other traditional or tribal leaders and authorities;
 - (ii) their powers, duties and functions;
 - (iii) the terms and conditions, including conditions in relation to remuneration and other benefits, attached to the various offices;
- (b) the identity of functionaries of tribal or traditional authorities, and the terms and conditions of their appointment or employment; and
- (c) any other matter which in the opinion of the Commission may be connected with or incidental to any matter referred to in subparagraph (a) or (b).
- 2. To report to the President on its findings.
- 3. To make recommendations to the President regarding -
 - (a) the viability or otherwise of traditional or tribal authorities, regard being had to the provisions of the Namibian Constitution;
 - (b) in the event of the Commission recommending a regime of traditional or tribal authority of any nature, the steps which in the opinion of the Commission ought to be taken to rationalize, restructure or reorganize traditional or tribal authorities within the framework of the recommended regime; and
 - (c) the steps which in the opinion of the Commission ought to be taken to regulate the appointment or employment, as the case may be, of persons to hold office under such traditional or tribal authority regime; and

(d) any other matter concerning its terms of reference which the Commission may deem necessary or expedient.

Interested persons or bodies wishing to make representations to or give evidence before the Commission are requested to submit as soon as possible written memoranda in which those representations or a summary of that evidence, is set out, to the Secretary of the Commission of Inquiry into Matters Relating to Chiefs, Headmen and other Traditional or Tribal Leaders and Authorities, Private Bag 13289, Windhoek, 9000, or Room W221, Parliament Building (Tintenpalast).